(e) : (Rs. in lakhs)

| Year | Main Machines (units) | Spares supplied |
|---|---|---|
| 1982-83 . . . | 8896 | 111·79 |
| 1983-84 . . . | 8147 | 100·14 |
| 1984-85 . . . | 7680 | 102.04 |

(f) The estimated production targets of important items for the year 1985-86 are :—

(i) Electro-mechanical Teleprinters . . . 8000 units

(ii) Electronic Telep inters . 1000 Nos.

(iii) Electric Typ.writers . 1000 Nos.

(iv) Spares . . . Rs. 85 lakhs

**Direct Dialling Arrangements**

560. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the countries with which India has direct dialling arrangements;

(b) the names of the cities in these countries with whicr such arrangements exists; and

(c) whether Government have any proposals to increase such facilities; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Direct telephone dialling facility is available from Metropolitan cities of Bombay, Calcutta. Delhi and Madras to 6 countries viz. Australia, France. Hongkong, Japan, Singapore and the United Kingdom.

(b) The facility is available to all sites in the above 6 countries.

(c) Yes, Sir. Direct telephone dialling facilities are being progressively expanded in a phased manner, depending upon reciprocal technical feasibility in the other countries. traffic requirements and other relevant considerations.

**Malpratice by Drug Manufacturers**

561. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a news item captioned "Drugs: Story of the unintended profits and intended losses" published in the 'Indian Express' Delhi on the 19th August, 1984;

(b) if so, what are the details of the malpractices alleged to have been indulged by the drug manufacturing companies; and

(c) what are the effective steps taken to curb the malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) In exercise of the powers available under para 7(2) (a) of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979, my Ministry issued notices to a number of drug companies so as to recover the difference between the price of the bulk drugs allowed in the formulations and the actual cost of import purchase. Based on the notices issued and the details received, amount due into the said account from manufacturers have been calculated. The representations received against the recovery are in an advanced stage of consideration One of the manufacturers namely, M/s. Fulford (India) Limited have filed a Writ Petition in Delhi High Court against the recovery and obtained stay of further